UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re :

Chapter 11

SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION, et al.,

Case No. 18-23538 (RDD)

:

Debtors.¹

(Jointly Administered)

AFFIDAVIT AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENT OF MARK J. SEGRIST, ESQ., ON BEHALF OF SANDLER, TRAVIS & ROSENBERG, P.A.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) s.s.:
COUNTY OF COOK)

Mark J. Segrist, Esq., being duly sworn, upon his oath, deposes and says as follows:

1. I am a Member of Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg, P.A., located at 225 West

Washington Street, Suite 1130, Chicago, IL 60606 (the "Firm").

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are as follows: Sears Holdings Corporation (0798); Kmart Holding Corporation (3116); Kmart Operations LLC (6546); Sears Operations LLC (4331); Sears, Roebuck and Co. (0680); ServiceLive Inc. (6774); SHC Licensed Business LLC (3718); A&E Factory Service, LLC (6695); A&E Home Delivery, LLC (0205); A&E Lawn & Garden, LLC (5028); A&E Signature Service, LLC (0204); FBA Holdings Inc. (6537); Innovel Solutions, Inc. (7180); Kmart Corporation (9500); MaxServ, Inc. (7626); Private Brands, Ltd. (4022); Sears Development Co. (6028); Sears Holdings Management Corporation (2148); Sears Home & Business Franchises, Inc. (6742); Sears Home Improvement Products, Inc. (8591); Sears Insurance Services, L.L.C. (7182); Sears Procurement Services, Inc. (2859); Sears Protection Company (1250); Sears Protection Company (PR) Inc. (4861); Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. (0535); Sears, Roebuck de Puerto Rico, Inc. (3626); SYW Relay LLC (1870); Wally Labs LLC (None); SHC Promotions LLC (9626); Big Beaver of Florida Development, LLC (None); California Builder Appliances, Inc. (6327); Florida Builder Appliances, Inc. (9133); KBL Holding Inc. (1295); KLC, Inc. (0839); Kmart of Michigan, Inc. (1696); Kmart of Washington LLC (8898); Kmart Stores of Illinois LLC (8897); Kmart Stores of Texas LLC (8915); MyGofer LLC (5531); Sears Brands Business Unit Corporation (4658); Sears Holdings Publishing Company, LLC. (5554); Sears Protection Company (Florida), L.L.C. (4239); SHC Desert Springs, LLC (None); SOE, Inc. (9616); StarWest, LLC (5379); STI Merchandising, Inc. (0188); Troy Coolidge No. 13, LLC (None); BlueLight.com, Inc. (7034); Sears Brands, L.L.C. (4664); Sears Buying Services, Inc. (6533); Kmart.com LLC (9022); and Sears Brands Management Corporation (5365). The location of the Debtors' corporate headquarters is 3333 Beverly Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60179.

- 2. Sears Holdings Corporation and its debtor affiliates, as debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "**Debtors**"), have requested that the Firm provide <u>International Trade</u>, <u>Customs</u>, and <u>Export Law</u> services to the Debtors, and the Firm has consented to provide such services (the "**Services**").
- advice and counsel regarding the laws and regulations affecting the importation or exportation of merchandise to and from the United States. This may include, but is not limited to, assistance with: product classification under the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS"); Customs Communications, Investigations & Regulatory Audits; First Sale; Forced Labor; Free Trade Agreements & Other Preference Programs; Import Compliance; Product Safety; Rules of Origin Determinations & Country of Origin Marking; Valuation; Trade Remedies Advocacy; Export Controls & Sanctions Compliance Program Support; Export Investigations, Voluntary Self-Disclosures, and Enforcement; Export License Applications and Related Support; Food and Drug Administration & Life Sciences Support; Trade Negotiations; Trade Policy; Legislative Advocacy; Miscellaneous Tariff Bills; Representation & Advocacy; and Litigation and Dispute Resolution.
- 4. The Firm may have performed services in the past and may perform services in the future, in matters unrelated to these chapter 11 cases, for persons that are parties in interest in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases. As part of its customary practice, the Firm is retained in cases, proceedings, and transactions involving many different parties, some of whom may represent or be claimants or employees of the Debtors, or other parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases. The Firm does not perform services for any such person in connection with these chapter 11 cases. In addition, the Firm does not have any relationship with any such person, such person's attorneys,

or such person's accountants that would be adverse to the Debtors or their estates with respect to

the matters on which the Firm is to be retained.

5. Neither I, nor any principal of, or professional employed by the Firm has

agreed to share or will share any portion of the compensation to be received from the Debtors with

any other person other than principals and regular employees of the Firm.

6. Neither I nor any principal of, or professional employed by the Firm, insofar

as I have been able to ascertain, holds or represents any interest materially adverse to the Debtors

or their estates with respect to the matters on which the Firm is to be retained.

7. As of the commencement of this chapter 11 case, the Debtors owed the Firm

\$137,489.40 in respect of prepetition services rendered to the Debtors.

8. The Firm is conducting further inquiries regarding its retention by any

creditors of the Debtors, and upon conclusion of this inquiry, or at any time during the period of

its employment, if the Firm should discover any facts bearing on the matters described herein, the

Firm will supplement the information contained in this Affidavit.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1746, I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of

the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this Affidavit and

Disclosure Statement was executed on December 10th, 2018, at 3:00 Pm.

Mark J. Segrist, Esq.
Affiant Name

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before Me this 10 hay of DECEMBER 2018

OFFICIAL SEAL
GARY H. HOLZMAN
Notary Public - State of Illinois
My Commission Expires 4/05/2020

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RETENTION QUESTIONNAIRE

TO BE COMPLETED BY PROFESSIONALS EMPLOYED by Sears Holdings Corporation and its debtor affiliates, as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "**Debtors**").

All questions **must** be answered. Please use "none," "not applicable," or "N/A," as appropriate. If more space is needed, please complete on a separate page and attach.

1. Name and address of professional:

Mark J. Segrist, Esq., 225 W. Washington Street, Suite 1130, Chicago, IL 60606, Kristen S. Smith, Esq., 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 400, Washington, D.C. 20004, as well as those firm professionals identified in **Exhibit A** attached.

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2. Date of retention: March 15, 2011.

3. Type of services to be provided:

International Trade, Customs, and Export Law.

4. Brief description of services to be provided:

Providing legal advice and counsel regarding the laws and regulations affecting the importation or exportation of merchandise to and from the United States. This may include, but is not limited to, assistance with: product classification under the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS"); Customs Communications, Investigations & Regulatory Audits; First Sale; Forced Labor; Free Trade Agreements & Other Preference Programs; Import Compliance; Product Safety; Rules of Origin Determinations & Country of Origin Marking; Valuation; Trade Remedies Advocacy; Export Controls & Sanctions Compliance Program Support; Export Investigations, Voluntary Self-Disclosures, and Enforcement; Export License Applications and Related Support; Food and Drug Administration & Life Sciences Support; Trade Negotiations; Trade Policy; Legislative Advocacy; Miscellaneous Tariff Bills; Representation & Advocacy; and Litigation and Dispute Resolution.

5. Arrangements for compensation (hourly, contingent, etc.):

A combination of hourly, flat fee, and/or contingency, depending on the matter.

(a) Average hourly rate (if applicable): \$375 per hour.

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(b) Estimated average monthly compensation based on prepetition retention (if company was employed prepetition):

Average monthly compensation based on prepetition retention for the 2012 through 2018 fiscal years was \$45,649.08.

6. Prepetition claims against the Debtors held by the company:

Amount of claim: \$137,489.40.

Date claim arose: <u>July 9, 2018 (\$1,916.55)</u>, <u>August 3, 2018 (\$106.20)</u>, <u>September 10, 2018 (\$83.70)</u>, <u>September 24, 2018 (\$135,000.00)</u>, and October 15, 2018 (\$382.95).

Nature of claim: <u>Legal fees associated with providing advice and counsel on customs and international trade related matters (\$2,489.40)</u>; <u>Success fee for passage of duty savings Miscellaneous Tariff Bill provisions (\$135,000.00)</u>.

7. Prepetition claims against the Debtors held individually by any member, associate, or employee of the company:

Name: N/A.

Status: N/A.

Amount of claim: N/A.

Date claim arose: N/A.

Nature of claim: N/A.

8. Disclose the nature and provide a brief description of any interest adverse to the Debtors or to their estates for the matters on which the professional is to be employed:

<u>N/A</u>.

9. Name and title of individual completing this form:

Mark J. Segrist, Esq., Member, Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg, P.A.

Dated: 17/10, 2018